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Communications & Public Affairs Strategist

Creative and energetic leader with a proven track record of developing and executing integrated communications programs for companies and non-profits that build brand awareness, strengthen relationships with key stakeholders, and maintain positive public perceptions.

Core Competencies

Copywriting & Editing – Public Relations – Media Relations – Publications Management Issue Advocacy – Executive Communications – Strategic Planning – Marketing Internal & External Communications – Digital Media – Storytelling Project Management – Event Planning & Execution – Vendor Management

Professional Experience

Public Risk Management Association

Associate Director of Marketing and Communications

8/2024 - Present Washington, D.C.

- **Streamlined marcomm operations** by implementing Hootsuite, FreedCamp, and TeamUp.
- ♦ Redesigned weekly newsletter, leading to an average fifteen percent increase in CTR per issue
- **Secured over one dozen** new contributing writers for quarterly member magazine.
- Marketing strategy resulted in exceeding conference registration target by five percent.

Greater Capital Area Association of Realtors

Associate Director of Communications

6/2021 - 4/2024 Washington, D.C.

- ◆ **Led a comprehensive communications strategy** to counter county executive's proposed property tax increase.
- ♦ **Optimized magazine content** by writing articles and president's letters on salient industry topics.
- ◆ Launched marketing campaign for new DEI program that resulted in 500 members obtaining certifications in first year.
- ♦ Managed execution of continuous PR strategy showcasing GCAAR's commitment to affordable housing policies.
- **Revamped media strategy** led to positive coverage in the *Washington Post*, the *Wall Street Journal*, and local TV news programs.

Colorado Association of Realtors

Communications & Public Relations Manager

4/2019 - 5/2021 Denver, CO

- ♦ **Increased member participation** in state legislative calls-for-action by 25% with more persuasive messaging.
- ◆ **Organized execution of internal communications campaign** informing realtors of impact of governor's COVID-19 restrictions on the real estate industry.
- ◆ **Grew CAR's LinkedIn followers by over 80%** in one year with improved content and more frequent posts.
- ♦ Championed effective storytelling of CAR's philanthropic foundation with compelling magazine content and videos, and targeted media outreach.
- ♦ Launched statewide wildfire preparedness campaign targeting property owners, first responders, and local media.

Transportation Intermediaries AssociationCommunications Manager

6/2017 - 4/2019 Alexandria, VA

- ♦ **Spearheaded branding and marketing** of TIA's first technology-focused conference and achieved a goal of 250 attendees.
- Oversaw redesign and production of monthly print magazine and new website.
- **Increased visibility of TIA and CEO** through proactive engagement with industry media.

Association of Home Appliance ManufacturersCommunications & Membership Manager

9/2011 - 6/2017 Washington, D.C.

- ♦ Collaborated on developing industry messaging informing members of Congress and staff about regulatory and trade barriers.
- ♦ **Proactive outreach to reporters** led to positive coverage of manufacturers' commitment to energy efficiency and sustainability initiatives.
- ◆ **Coordinated development** of nationwide campaign educating consumers about counterfeit water filters.
- ◆ Launched redesigned website and improved content focusing on environmental and consumer initiatives.

Technology Skills

Adobe Creative Suite - Canva - HTML - WordPress - Hootsuite - Database Management Social Media - Higher Logic, MailChimp - SEO - Web Analytics - Photography

Education

Ball State University

Bachelor of Science: Political Science/History

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Minor: Campaign Communication

Recommendations

"Nick is a team member I was always able to count on to get the job done. In addition to Nick's exceptional time-management skills, he is also a very good writer, having written research-based, informative, and compelling feature articles... Nick is a highly competent professional and would be an asset to any company!"

Christine Barnhart, Vice President, Strategic Communications
Former supervisor, Greater Capital Area Association of Realtors

"Nick consistently displayed exceptional leadership qualities... He has a remarkable ability to complete tasks effectively and with precision, delivering outstanding results. Nick is a reliable and dedicated colleague – always ready to offer support."

- Rachael Oury Former colleague, Transportation Intermediaries Association